

Community Planning and Economic Development News Release

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Notice of Decision for the Environmental Assessment Worksheet for Kraus-Anderson Block Redevelopment

Thursday, December 03, 2015 - (Minneapolis) The City of Minneapolis has completed the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) process for the proposed Kraus-Anderson Block redevelopment located on the property at 810 Portland Avenue in Minneapolis. The total project area encompasses a two and one-half acre site along Portland Avenue in Downtown Minneapolis, between South 8th and 9th Streets. The project is anticipated to be developed in one phase and would provide at completion up to 306 dwelling units, a 148-unit hotel and associated restaurant/bar, 107,000 square feet of office, a 12,000 square-foot brewery, a 13,000 square-foot event center, and up to 530 off-street parking spaces.

Copies of the EAW will be available for review at the downtown Minneapolis Central Library located at 300 Nicollet Mall, and in the office of the City's department of Community Planning and Economic Development (CPED), Land Use, Design and Preservation Section at 250 S. 4th Street, Room 300 Public Service Center. Notice will be published in the EQB Monitor on Monday, December 7th, 2015. Public comments on the EAW must be made within the 30-day comment period, which ends at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 6th, 2016. It is anticipated that the Zoning and Planning Committee at its regular meeting on February 4, 2016, or at a subsequent meeting, will receive a report and recommendation from City staff, hear comment from all parties and consider the adequacy of this EAW and the need for an Environmental Impact Statement for this proposal. The City Council will act on the recommendation of this Committee at a subsequent meeting on February 12, 2016.

This EAW and supporting information will also be available for review on the <u>City of Minneapolis</u> <u>website</u>. Copies of this EAW can also be provided to individuals by email. For further information or to submit comments on the EAW, contact Hilary Dvorak, Principal Planner, at 612.673.2639 or via <u>email</u>.